GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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AUDIT OBSERVATIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether about 8234 audit observations involving a sum of Rs. 161.18 crore are pending for settlement with DoT since June 1997; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the measures taken to settle the same urgently?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): As on June 1997, 8234 audit observations involving a sum of Rs. 161.18 crores were pending. These are essentially branch audit observations relating to 43 Circles(spending units) spread all over the country. The process of generation of audit comments and their settlement is a continuous one. To clear audit observations, field units have since been instructed to settle the cases on priority. Targets have also been fixed by the Department for field units to settle these cases. The progress of settlement is being monitored at Senior Levels in the Ministry.